

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: A SYSTEM HAVING A MODEL-BASED USER INTERFACE FOR OPERATING AND

MONITORING A DEVICE AND A METHOD THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by deleting the text on Page 1, lines 1-4, and inserting therefor the following text:

This is a Continuation of International Application PCT/DE99/02227, with an international filing date of July 19, 1999, which was published under PCT Article 21(2) in German, and the disclosure of which is incorporated into this application by reference.

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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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